



## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Atty. Docket: HILB / 624C2

Title: CASKET LID AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME

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### SUBSTITUTE UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

*BOX PATENT APPLICATION*  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a request for filing, under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), a(n):

- Original (non-provisional) application.
- Divisional of prior application Serial No. 09/153,626, filed on September 15, 1998.**
- Continuation of prior application Serial No. \_\_, filed on \_\_.
- Continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. \_\_, filed on \_\_.

For Divisional and Continuation applications ONLY:

- Copy of Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form from parent application is enclosed (as noted below in Enclosures).**
- Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.**

For all Divisional, Continuation and Continuation-in-part applications:

- Small Entity Status was requested in the prior application, and small entity status is still proper and desired.
- This application is assigned to Batesville Services, Inc. of One Batesville Boulevard, Batesville, IN 47006-7798 by virtue of an earlier assignment filed in the prior application at Reel 9465, Frame 687-689.**

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/CALCULATION OF FEES

- Please cancel claims \_\_ without prejudice, and prior to calculating the fees. \_\_ total claim(s), of which \_\_ is(are) independent, is(are) pending after the amendment.
- Please enter the enclosed preliminary amendment identified below prior to calculating the fees. \_\_ total claim(s), of which \_\_ is(are) independent, is(are) pending after the amendment.

The PTO did not receive the following listed item(s) A check of \$ 1,152.4

Small Entity Status is Requested

**The Fees are Calculated as Follows:**

Fee:	Number of Claims:	In Excess of:	Extra:	At Rate:	Amount:
Total Claims	35	20	15	\$18	\$270.00
Independent Claims	9	3	6	\$80	\$480.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					
BASIC FEE					\$710.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS					\$1,460.00
REDUCTION BY 50% FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY					
TOTAL					\$1,460.00

**ENCLOSURES**

Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (in duplicate) containing Certificate of Mailing By Express Mail Under 37 CFR 1.10.

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APPLICATION PAPERS

Utility Patent Application, with: 40 page(s) specification (including 35 total claim(s), of which 9 is(are) independent), and 1 page(s) abstract.

Drawings: 4 sheet(s) of formal drawings (10 total figure(s)).

Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).

Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence, including (all are necessary): Computer Readable Copy, Paper Copy (identical to computer copy), and Statement verifying identity of copies.

An   Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form.

Copy of Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form from prior application identified above.

Certified Copy of priority document(s) identified as attached above.

ADDITIONAL PAPERS

Assignment to  , Recordation Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595)

Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

Preliminary Amendment (to be entered prior to calculation of fees)

Information Disclosure Statement,   sheet(s) Form PTO-1449,   U.S. Patent Reference(s),   Foreign Patent Reference(s) and   Other Reference(s)

Other:  

CHECKS

A Check of \$1,524.00 for the filing fee.

A Check of   for the assignment recording fee.

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION**

Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \_\_\_\_.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-3000. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

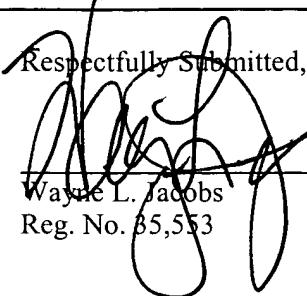
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## PATENT

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: John Linville, Donald R. Maier and Patrick M. Saaf  
Serial No.: 09/878,743 Examiner: Mary Lynn F. Theisen  
Filed: June 11, 2001 Group No.: 1732  
For: CASKET LID AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.
2.  Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

Enclosed is a verified statement to establish small entity status

Other than a Small Entity

3. The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Large Entity				
					Col. 1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	Rate	Addit. Fee	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	* 13	Minus	35	0	X 9	\$ 0		X 18	\$ 0		
Indep.	* 5	Minus	*** 9	0	X 42	\$ 0		X 84	\$ 0		
First Presentation of Multiple Dep Claim					+140	\$ 0		+280	\$ 0		
					Total Fee	\$ 0		Total Fee	\$ 0		

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

\*\* If the "Highest No. Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

\*\*\* If the "Highest No. Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

The "Highest Number Previously Paid for" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

No additional fee for claims is required.

4. Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of \$ 410.00 .

A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

5. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply.

Complete (a) or (b) as applicable.

(a)  Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> two months	410.00	205.00
three months	930.00	465.00
four months	1,450.00	725.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.  
(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)

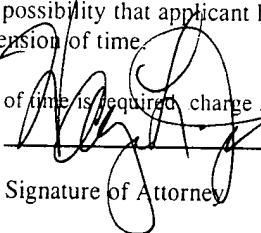
An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested. Extension fee due with this request \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

OR (b)

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

If any additional fee for claims or extension of time is required, charge Acct. No. 23-3000.

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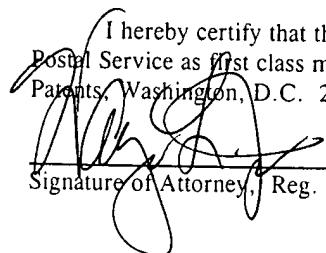
  
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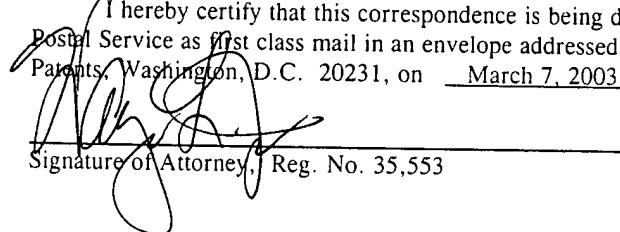
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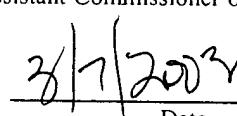
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